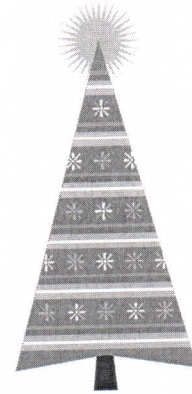
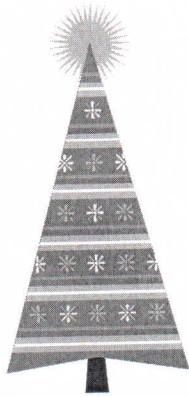


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## New York State Veteran's Benefits

The state of New York provides several veteran benefits listed below each month we will preview a particular area:

- **Employment Benefits**

- **Disabled Veterans Civil Service Preference** Qualified handicapped disabled veterans eligible for appointment to non-competitive State employment positions under Sections 55-b and 55-c of the New York State Civil Service Law.
- **Civil Service Credit Preference** Ten-point additional credit preference toward original appointment for disabled wartime veterans; five-points for wartime service; and two and a half points for competitive promotional exams. Job retention rights applicable to veterans and spouses of totally disabled veterans.

**Upcoming topics:**

- Education Benefits
- Other State Veteran Benefits

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## COLA FOR 2012

Military and federal civilian retirees, survivor benefit annuitants, disabled veterans and Social Security recipients will see a 3.6 percent cost-of-living adjustment in January, their first since 2009.

The 3.6% COLA will be effective Dec 1<sup>ST</sup> and will be reflected in January retired pay, SBP, Social Security, and VA disability compensation checks.

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## **Sign up with your Town's Assessor for the Veterans Tax Exemption by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012**

15% - Wartime/non-combat (to include Cold War Vets between 9/2/1945-12/26/1991)

An additional 10% - Combat Vets

Another additional % = 1/2 of your VA disability (maximum 50%)

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